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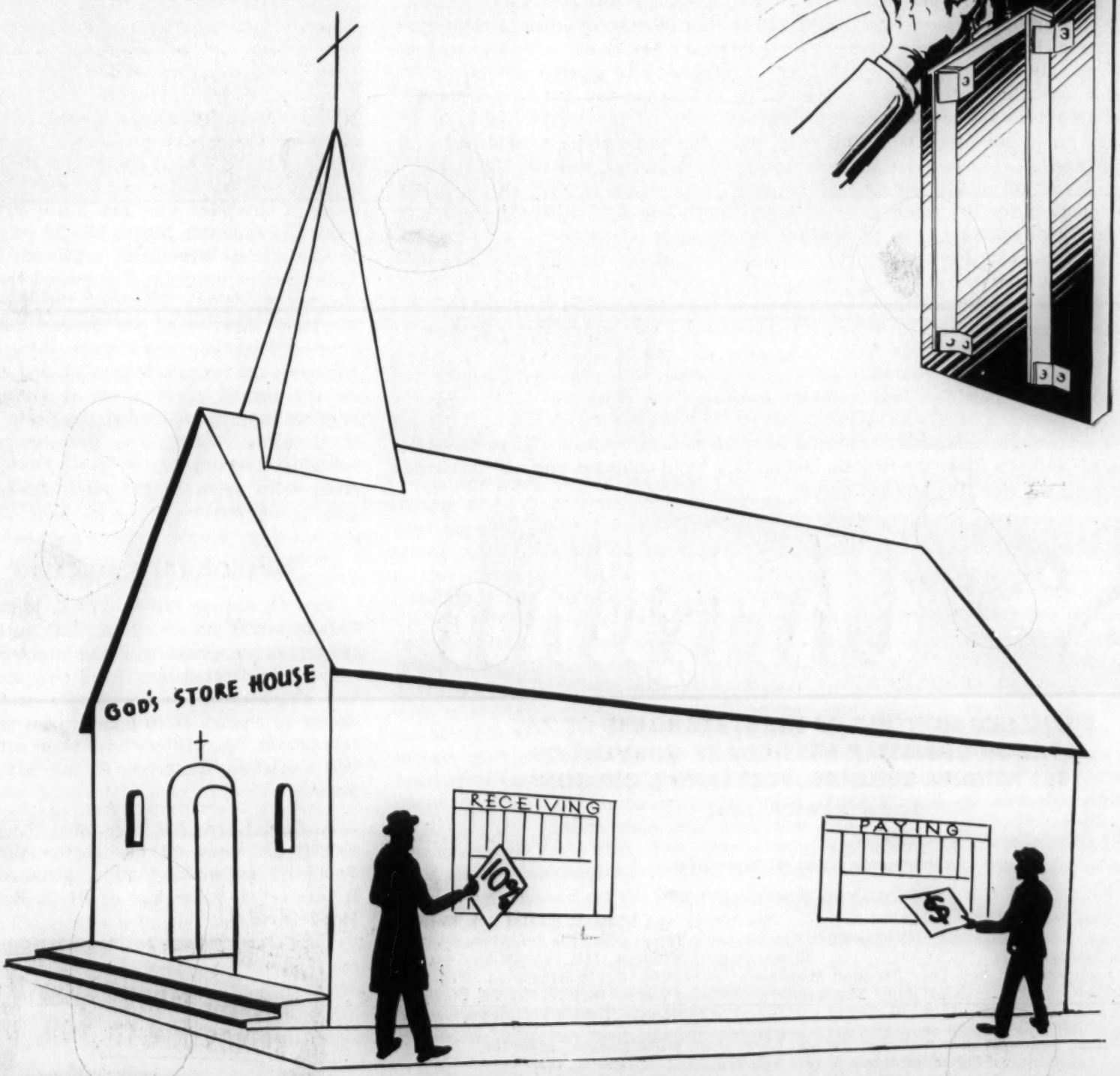
A Dedicated Stewardship Commitment



The EDITOR Speaks

GUEST EDITOR FOR APRIL: ORVILLE F. MICK

Chairman of Stewardship Commission
Minister of First Christian Church, Dallas

Three Million Four Hundred and Forty-one Thousand Dollars

One man on each team on eight appearances in Oregon talked about this exorbitant sum of money as he turned the pages of a turnover chart bearing the title, "A Dedicated Stewardship Commitment".

Some thought this sum of money preposterous; another referred to it as the financial budget of the 1954-55 State Board and complained that it was fantastic.

As a matter of fact, it is not any of the above mentioned. It is neither a budget, nor preposterous nor fantastic. How did we ever arrive at such a sum of money? Answer: There are three or four churches now in our state that have so practiced tithing that they have raised their giving to or above 23c per day per member per year. The average in the state is only 9c per day. This means some churches give much less. One church decided to do something about its low-level giving of 16c per day and with a planned procedure raised its giving to 23c per day per member.

Now, if we could get each congregation to make the same effort, within one year we could, in addition to what we are now giving for all causes, add the $3,441,000.00 at the suggested rate of 23c per day per member. This would average only a half a tithe. If we worked for the whole tithe as the Seventh Day Adventists do, the figure would be near seven million.

This is God's money, your unpaid bill to Him, provided you haven't been paying a tithe. Our work suffers everywhere for the need of proper finance. Consequently, "Let's close the switch and accelerate the power" means greater giving. The proposed evangelistic and educational program gives you a vision of what can and needs to be done in the state to win Oregon to Christ. The Pledge is to get you to promise as a church to set up committees and train leaders to advance with the suggested procedure of teaching in home by home and from heart to heart, pressing God's cause for storehouse tithing.

Oregon is a strategic missionary field and demands new methods if it is to be quickly evangelized; so **Let's Close the Switch,** and let God build churches and win thousands of souls through the New Testament Church.

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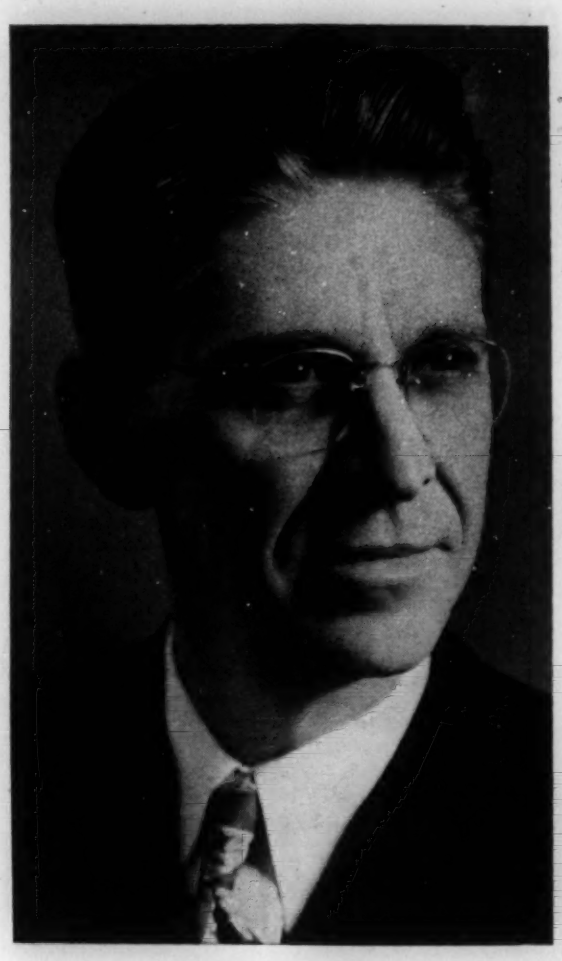
ADDING UP THE ACTIVITIES OF ADDLEMAN

This report of activities covers the period from February 24 to March 24. February 24 to March 6 was spent enroute and attending a series of meetings in Indiana. Attended two sessions of the joint meeting of the Field Staff and the State Secretaries meeting at Spring Mill, Mitchell, Indiana. This was regarding the Year of Christian Education in the Long Range Brotherhood program. Then at Indianapolis I shared in three meetings relative to the work of the National Association of State Secretaries, Unified Promotion, Board of Review, and, upon the request of our Oregon Christian Student Foundation, I appeared before the Commission on Brotherhood Budgets and Promotional Relationships concerning our student work. For your information I might state the request was approved. Likewise our courtesy report concerning the budget and plans of our State Missions work was commended and approved. It was my happy privilege to assist my good friend, Earl Van Doren, State Secretary of Washington, drive his new car back. What is more, I kept out of the ditch even if there was some ice on the road in Wyoming. I attended our last State Program rally at Pendleton. March 10 - 16 was spent in Coquille as director of a Church School Enlargement program. I preached there on Sunday morning. Attended the board of directors' meeting of the Oregon Christian Student Foundation in Eugene. Preached at Vernonia on Sunday, March 20, and attended the School of Missions at Kern Park Sunday evening. Attended the State Board meeting in Salem and four committee meetings relating to our state work. Four days were spent in the office with three office conferences.

MIMEOGRAPH MACHINE

Mrs. C. Arthur Miller, 470 E. Miller St., Salem, would like to sell her late husband's electric mimeograph machine. Some church may be interested in writing her. Many of our churches use mimeographs and may desire to change from hand-driven to electric power. The Millers have been active in the Christian Churches of the state for years.

B. Ross Evans has expressed the desire to sell his cabin on the Turner Grounds. People often make inquiry about cabins. If interested, write him at Rt. 3, Box 243, Hood River.



Orville F. Mick
Guest Editor for April

MRS. FIELDER TO SPEAK AT DISTRICT CONVENTIONS

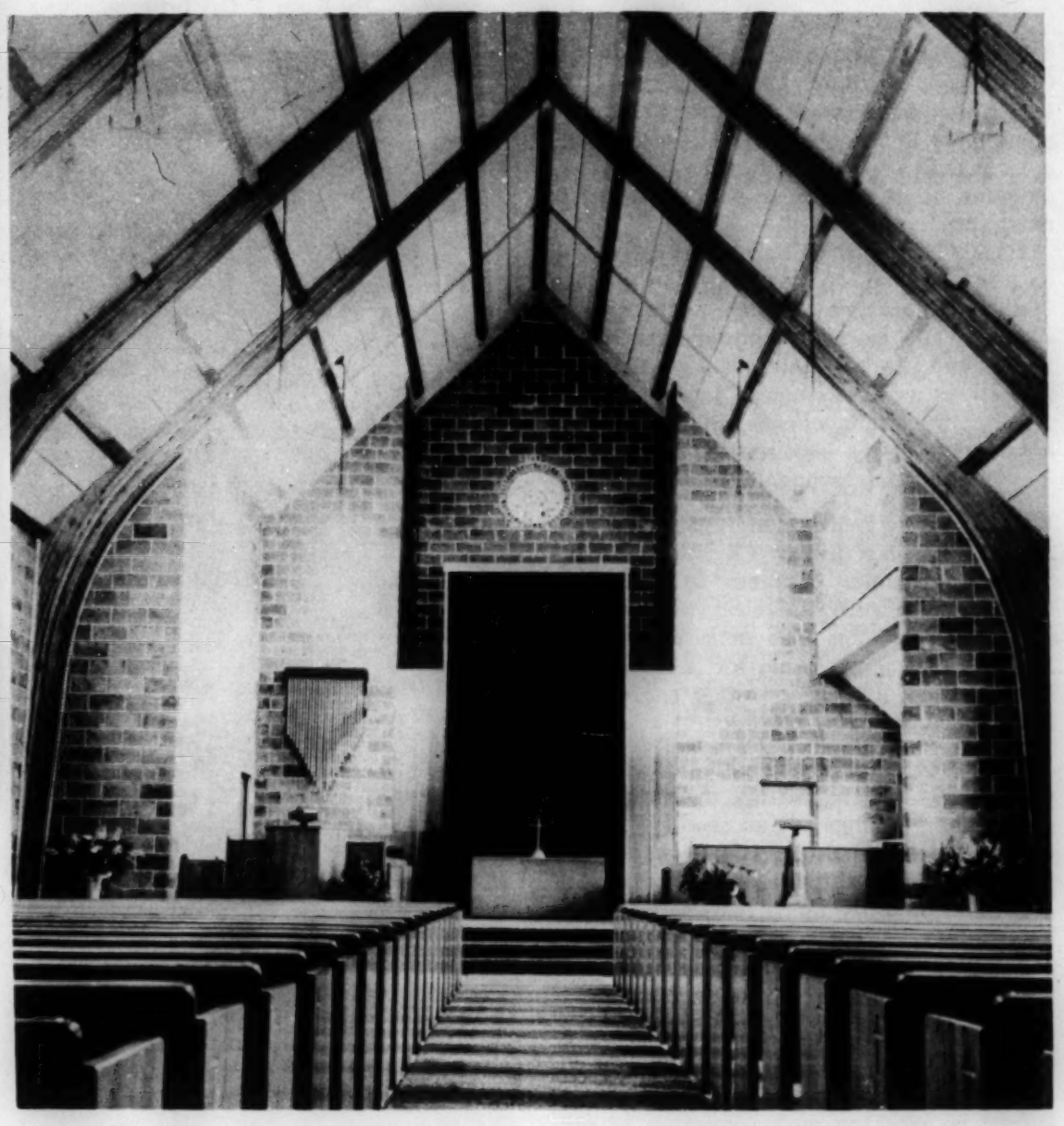
Mrs. Daniel W. (Minerva Jo) Fielder is to be the missionary speaker for the spring district conventions. Mrs. Fielder is the wife of a minister of the Disciples of Christ now serving as a chaplain to the U. S. Army. While her husband was stationed in Japan for more than three years, she taught in a school there for children of American occupation forces, and she was able to observe Christian missionaries in action in that predominantly Buddhist country.

A native of Lone Wolf, Oklahoma, Mrs. Fielder says she is primarily a home-maker and happy to be known as a chaplain's wife. The Fielders have one son and three daughters.

With her husband currently stationed at Fort Lewis, Washington, Mrs. Fielder teaches an adult Sunday school class at a post chapel there.

EDITOR'S NOTE: How do you like the new masthead for The Oregon Christian? This design was adopted by the Publications Committee (Walter Naff is chairman) at its meeting in Salem. Appreciation is due to the Your Town Press of Salem, which donated the art work involved, including the several designs examined by the committee and the finished work which you now see.

NEW SANCTUARY AT LA GRANDE



The new sanctuary of the First Christian Church of La Grande was used for the first time March 27, in special services. It is the second unit of a building begun in 1950, to give the La Grande Church an adequate building for its growing congregation. The Church, which now numbers 600 members, has doubled in the past ten years.

The building, constructed of shale block A. F. Wickes of Indianapolis. The Church with a red-brick veneer, was designed by has acted as its own contractor, with Doyle Wilson of La Grande serving as superintendent of construction. Total cost will be about $130,000 and total property value $200,000. The congregation has used the education unit since 1951. The room which they temporarily used has now become the dining room, where, on the first day, dinner was served to 225 persons.

Charles H. Addleman, State Secretary, was a special guest of the Church at the opening services and brought greetings in both morning and evening services. Gene Robinson, who has been pastor for more than eight years, preached in each service. Music was provided by the choir under the direction of Miss Jeanne Scott. Mrs. Edgar Draper is the organist. Presiding at the Communion table were Vernon DeLong, chairman of the board, and Elmer C. Miller, chairman of the building committee. Arthur McCall, an elder, assisted with the service. Over 600 people attended the morning service, with 285 in Sunday School.

The La Grande Church will now conduct one morning service each Sunday after holding identical services at 8:30 and 11:00 for the past two years. Work will proceed on the building until it is completed and then it will be formally dedicated about May 1. The new unit includes the sanctuary, seating 375; overflow space in narthex and gallery for 200 more; a prayer chapel in the tower; and a large recreation room and parlor. This is in addition to 13 classrooms, dining room and kitchen, offices and rest rooms in the first unit.

The first service reached its climax when seven persons came into the fellowship of the Church and two were baptized in the new baptistry.

NORTHWEST CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

—By Ross J. Griffeth

Northwest Christian College Day in the Churches is April 24, 1955. Because of the large number of congregations which will participate in this observance, some congregations will use May 1 for the observance or some other date near this time that is most satisfactory.

N.C.C. Day in the Churches is correlated to the national observance of Christian Higher Education Sunday. Throughout America the several hundred church-supported and church-related colleges will participate in emphasis upon Christian education in Christian colleges. Because of the importance of the observance, the emphasis will continue throughout the week.

Last year more congregations were reached by Northwest Christian College through personal contacts by students, teachers, and staff members than by any other college. This was done despite the fact that it was necessary for some to travel more than a thousand miles one way to keep appointments.

Special offerings made on N.C.C. Day are particularly for the current operation budget. These offerings are an essential source of support if Northwest Christian College is to maintain a satisfactory financial situation and measure up to her challenge and opportunity.

Supplies are being sent to the various churches. Representatives of the College are getting ready to present the work of N.C.C. It will be a great day in the churches and for the College and all who share in it will be working with thousands of others in a great cause.

Seniors

More than sixty Seniors are looking forward to getting their degrees from Northwest Christian College on June 7. This will be the largest graduating class in the history of N.C.C. and one of the largest groups of ministerial students ever to graduate from any of our church-supported colleges.

Thirty-five of the men in the class expect to be pastors, and others plan to be missionaries, Christian education workers or otherwise employed by the churches.

About half of the men who plan to enter the pastoral ministry will go directly to graduate theological seminaries. Those who have completed the prescribed course are admitted to accredited seminaries without further training and without question. During the past year more than sixty N.C.C. graduates were admitted to accredited seminaries.

Hazel Oliver, Librarian, Northwest Christian College, is a graduate of Northwest Christian College and holds the degree Master of Arts from Butler University and the degree Master of Science in Library Science from the University of Southern California.

Library

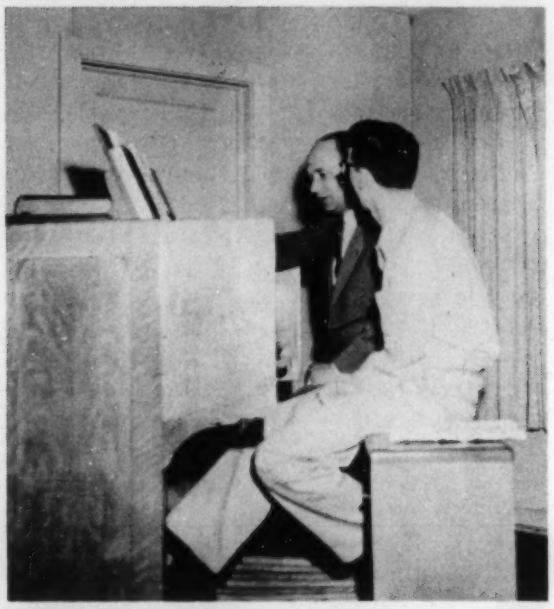
The program of soliciting funds for the projected Library Building continues. At the March 1-4, 1955, meeting of the Commission on Budgets and Promotional Relationships of the International Convention, this program received endorsement again.

Because of crowded conditions in the present library room, it is very important that the new building be erected as soon as possible. But this must not be done at the expense of providing for the current operations.

Each month the N C C BULLETIN makes a report on progress in securing funds. The architect's plans are completed. The building will be erected just as soon as this is possible without incurring a debt. N. C. C. operates on a cash basis so that no money is wasted in paying interest.

Practicum

With Miss Ruth Reynolds serving as director, Northwest Christian College, in cooperation with the Eugene First Christian Church, again conducted a very successful Religious Education Practicum, March 21 through April 1. Approximately 60 persons received training, and more than 60 boys and girls provided the class membership for teachers. Mrs. Holly Jarvis of Richland, Washington, Mrs. Marjory Moshier of Springfield, Oregon, and Mrs. Wm. Siefke of Eugene were instructors in the Practicum.



Elwin Myrick, Organ Instructor at Northwest Christian College, holds the degrees Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Music, and Master of Music from the University of Oregon. For two years he has served on the University of Oregon faculty as instructor in organ as well as giving the same service to Northwest Christian College.

MRS. GRIFFETH IS SPEAKER AT HARRISBURG BREAKFAST

"The Field is the World" was the theme of a District C.W.F. missionary breakfast held at the Harrisburg Christian Church, March 15, 1955. Mrs. Ross Griffeth was guest speaker, using the topic, "Mustard Seeds in God's Garden." Mrs. Mildred Smith, Mrs. William Siefke and Mrs. Katherine Bowers, all of the Harrisburg Church, and Mrs. Ward Rice took part in the program. Around 80 women attended the breakfast served at tables decorated in the missionary theme. The local grange had charge of the food.

ORAL E. DAVIDSON, HARRISBURG ELDER, PASSED AWAY

Oral E. Davidson, long-time elder and recently Chairman of the Board at the Harrisburg Christian Church, passed away Monday, March 28. He was the father of Hillis Davidson, minister of the Christian Church at Junction City. William Siefke, minister of the Harrisburg Church and Don Helseth of Corvallis, officiated at the service, held March 30.

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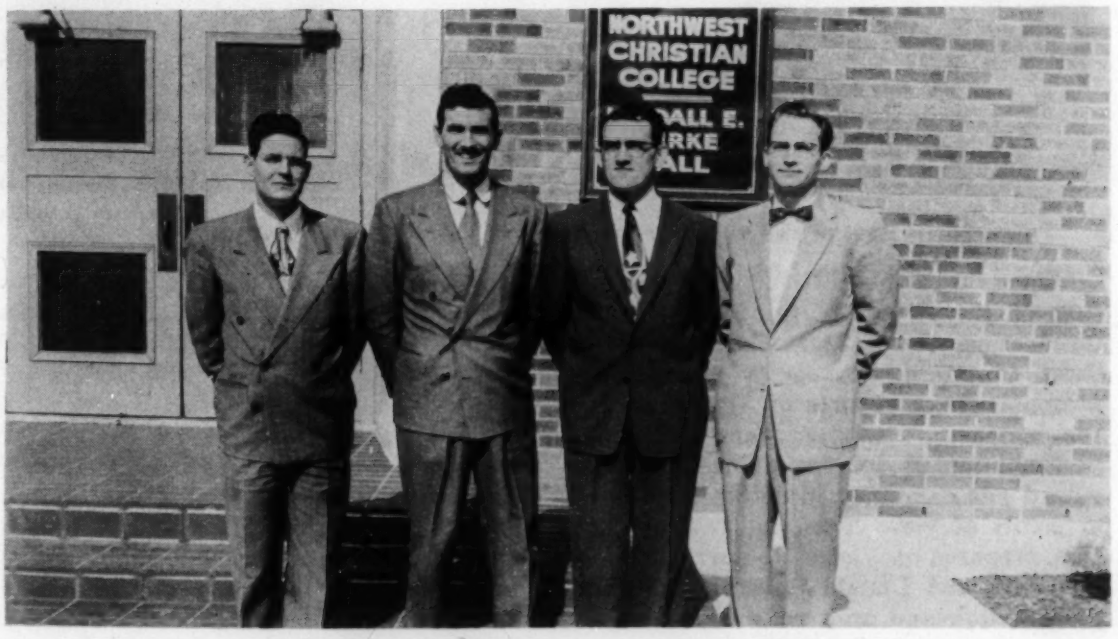
CENTRAL CHURCH ORDAINS FOUR MEN

Following the long line of full-time workers in religious service from Central Christian Church are four young men who started from there four years ago to prepare for the ministry at Northwest Christian College. The quartet—Eugene Polf, Bud Grogan, George Krieger, and Dick Larson—returned Sunday, March 20, for ordination. Those participating in the service were Lawrence Bixler of N.C.C. reading the scripture; Alger Fitch, minister at Milwaukie Church of Christ, giving the charge; Mrs. George Krieger singing "How Beautiful Upon the Mountains," with Mrs. Mary Stevens of Eugene accompanying; and Wm. Richardson of N.C.C. preaching the sermon. Each of the men holds a student pastorate: Larson at Oceanlake, Krieger at Scio, Grogan at Holley, and Polf at Carlton.



Left to right: Eugene Polf, Bud Grogan, George Krieger, Dick Larson.

TURNER CONVENTION PLANS 4,000 REGISTRATIONS IS GOAL

A goal of 4,000 registrations has been set for the State Convention at Turner on June 29 to July 3, according to Earl E. Feike, Convention Registrar. Attempting to secure registrations from ten per cent of the members of the Christian Churches in Oregon, Feike will ask each congregation in the state to appoint a local registrar to boost attendance at the Convention. A registration fee of $1.00 will be charged this year to underwrite the expenses of the convention.

An outstanding program is being planned, to feature Dr. Jack Finegan, minister of the University Christian Church in Berkeley, California, and a professor at the Pacific School of Religion, as guest speaker. Missionary speakers will be Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hendricks of Japan and Arnold Kernen of the Christian Children's Home in Boise, Idaho.

There will be special classes for children, banquets for Northwest Christian College, 90 & 9 Men, and Youth. The annual meeting of the Christian Women's Fellowship will also be held during the Convention.

Unique in the convention this year will be reports from congregations around the state on their progress and effectiveness. A large "scoreboard" at the front of the Turner tabernacle will record the report of each local church.

Also reporting at the Convention will be the various agencies and commissions which work on behalf of the Christian Churches in Oregon.

OREGON CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

SPRING CONVENTION DATES ANNOUNCED

—By Edna L. Burke

Several special events recently sponsored by Christian Fellowship groups have been reported. An Old-Fashioned Tea was given during the Diamond Jubilee celebration at the First Church, Portland. Many came attired in old-time costumes; table decorations and elaborately decorated cakes featured days of yore. A District luncheon to which the women of the other Christian churches in the district were invited was given by Silverton CWF. Goldie Ruth Wells was guest speaker. The Harrisburg and Salem First churches also featured guest-day luncheons. The majority of the churches were represented in these special gatherings. Good food, both physical and spiritual, was provided. Guest days of this sort are annual events of many organizations. They provide occasions for exchange of information, wider acquaintance, and closer fellowship.

The "over and above" Love Gift project, launched in October of 1954 at the Miami International Convention, is creating considerable interest among our women. Some have ordered the little containers and are already on the way. Remember this is a special fund for the training of young people for some type of definite Christian service. It does not count on your goal but will count toward your total missionary giving. Word has reached us that, because of gratitude for the recovery of a loved one, one woman dropped into the box a thank offering. Since we were already committed to contribute to the White Swan chapel fund and still are, this Love Gift project is not being pushed at the present time. Give as the love in your heart prompts; a dedication service will take place at the state convention next year, 1956.

Apil 18 - May 5 are the dates for the spring district conventions. The schedule is as follows: April 18, Oakridge; April 19, Dallas; April 20, Coquille; April 21, Medford; April 24, (Sunday P.M. only) Dufur; April 25, Central Oregon, Redmond; April 26, N. W. district, Kern Park, Portland; May 3-5, Athena.

The plan this year is to hold C.W.F. Workshops from 10:00 A.M. — 4:00 P. M. Then for the evening service to begin with a 6:30 dinner, everyone is invited. Since it is so difficult for many men to attend during the daytime, it was thought wise to change the pattern this year as an experiment. In the Dufur and Athena conventions the usual schedule will be followed, allowing the women about one and one-half hours at Dufur and the same amount of time each day during the Eastern Oregon meeting in the Athena church. There will be a missionary speaker, who will share in the Workshops along with other workers. New materials, a book display, officer training, the Love Gift, and other phases of CWF will be studied. Check the dates and plan to attend convention nearest you. More information will be sent out later.

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"LET'S CLOSE THE SWITCH"

PROGRESS REPORT

The first church to adopt the "Let's Close the Switch" program is COQUILLE. The following churches have adopted the program and the pledge: MALLORY AVENUE, Portland; FIRST CHRISTIAN, Portland; DALLAS; CORVALLIS; GRANTS PASS; CEDAR HILLS, Portland. · The planning commission of the FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH, Eugene, has approved the program and pledge and will recommend their adoption to the next board meeting. The church council of the NORKENZIE church, Eugene, having approved the program and pledge, will recommend their adoption at a special meeting to be held April 7, 1955. Officials of the following churches are referring the program to their congregations and recommending adoption: JUNCTION CITY; ALLISON PARK, Eugene; WINSTON. The program is to be considered by the ST. HELENS church at the board meeting on April 12, 1955.

ACTIVITIES OF RALLY TEAM MEMBERS IN "CLOSE THE SWITCH" CAMPAIGN

Harry Chapin presented "Close the Switch" to the congregation of the Grants Pass church on March 27, 1955; Carroll Roberts presented it to the Winston church, March 25; to the Junction City church, March 7; to the Allison Park church, March 6. Don Helseth presented the program to the Corvallis church, Orville Mick to the Dallas church, Mrs. C. C. Smith to the Mallory Avenue church, Lyle Nosler to the First Christian Church in Portland, and A. W. Mortensen to the planning board at Dallas, March 13, and Eugene First Christian Church, March 23.

Gerald Morrison (seated), chairman of board of Corvallis Christian Church, and Don Helseth, minister, sign Participation Pledge.

STATE BOARD DISCUSSES PARTICIPATION PLEDGE AND CEDAR HILLS CHURCH

Part of the group at the State Board meeting in Salem.

"Let's Close the Switch" was the main item on the agenda of the State Board at its meeting, March 22, in the chapel of the First Christian Church in Salem. After presentation of reports on the progress of the campaign, attention centered upon the participation pledge form, which was discussed and examined in detail, from several points of view. Then the following motion, prepared by Victor P. Morris, Kenneth Johnston, and Donald Helseth, was unanimously approved on a roll-call vote:

Moved that the State Board give its enthusiastic support to the program worked out by its Commission and presented around the state under the title "Close the Switch", and

that we urge each local congregation to do one of two things: Either

(1) Sign the "Pledge of Participation" with those changes which best apply to the individual local church, or

(2) Make a statement in their own language of commitment to the program of advance, along with a further statement as to the amount of financial support which it expects to give to state missions in the coming church fiscal year.

Dr. Carroll Roberts presented the Evangelism Commission's list of recommendations about the Cedar Hills church in Portland. The recommendations called for approving a Number One rating for the work, setting up immediately a program looking to the erection of the "first unit of a suitable building," and petitioning the Board of Church Extension for a loan of $30,000 to finance this building program. Recommendations for retiring the indebtedness were outlined, along with a challenge to the Portland area churches to support this work through the state program. The final recommendation was that those churches entering the "Close the Switch" program "make this endeavor their No. 1 priority for new church building and that other churches not entering the "Close the Switch" program be urged to accept this underwriting as a project in direct evangelism." By a roll-call vote unanimous approval of the recommendations was given.

The Board received numerous committee reports, including those of the Future Promotion Committee and the Constitution Revision Committee, both of which are to be considered at the Turner Convention. The following committee appointments were announced: Publications Policy Committee, Walter Naff, Wayne Green, and Donald Helseth; Resolutions Committee (for Turner Convention), Donald Ross, chairman, Mrs. C. C. Smith, and Walter Naff; Necrology Committee (for Turner Convention), Len Fishback and Mrs. Edna Dyer; Study Committee (subject: a commission on the ministry), Guy Wright, chairman, Gene Robinson, Jim Edwards, Ralph Cook, and Myron Cole.

The next meeting of the State Board will be held in Pendleton, during June.

OFFERING TO STATE MISSIONS

July, 1954 through February, 1955

(This giving applies only on items of the state budget adopted at Turner Convention, July, 1954)

Albany First	$410.00
Albany East Side	
Alvadore	
Amity	
Ashland	
Astoria	25.00
Athena	15.00
Baker	
Beaverton	
Bend	175.00
Brownsville	50.00
Burns	405.15
Canby	

Kenneth Johnston, (standing) Kern Park minister, addresses the Board. Donald Ross, Board secretary, is seated, facing members of the Board.

Orville Mick, Stewardship Commission chairman, addresses the Board.

Carlton	9.40
Central Point	
Cedar Hills	20.00
Coburg	90.00
Coquille	284.95
Coos Bay	
Corbett	
Corvallis	426.69
Cottage Grove	
Crabtree	
Creswell	
Culver	
Curtin	
Dallas	616.15
Dayton	191.18
Detroit	
Dufur	25.00
Elgin	
Elkton	
Elmira	
Enterprise	
Estacada	
Eugene Allison Pk	
Bethel	20.00
First	300.00
University	
Norkenzie	
West Side	
Fall Creek	40.00
Falls City	
Farmington	
Florence	
Forest Grove	440.00
Franklin	
Garibaldi	
Gates	
Gladstone	99.00
Glide	
Goshen	
Gold Hill	
Glendale	20.00
Glenwood	
Grants Pass	788.93
Gresham	
Gleneden Beach	
Halfway	
Halsey	
Harrisburg	59.43
Heppner	31.50
Hebron	
Hermiston	94.18
Hillsboro	77.08
Holley	
Hood River First	165.05
Valley	
Irving	
Ingram Island	
Jasper	
Jefferson	
Junction City	177.11
John Day	
Kent	
Klamath Falls	125.00
La Grande	465.66
Lebanon	230.93
Lexington	30.00
Lorane	
Lowell	
Lake Grove	
Madras	75.00
Marcola	
McKenzie Bridge	
McMinnville	200.00
Medford Central	
First	144.48
Mill City	16.90
Milton-Freewater	106.70
Milwaukie	
Molalla	
Monmouth	90.00
Mosier	
Mt. Vernon	
Myrtle Creek	6.00
Myrtle Point	50.00
Newberg	40.00
Newport	57.03
North Bend	81.00
North Plains	
Noti	
Nyssa	
Oakland	
Oakridge	12.50
Ontario	113.77
Oregon City	
Ocean Lake	
Pendleton	355.19
Peoria	
Perrydale	
Phoenix	
Pleasant Hill	
Powell Butte	
Port Orford	
Prineville	17.75
Prospect	
Portland Central	
Englewood	62.68
First	1028.00
Kern Park	930.00
Portland Mallory	674.39
Park Rose	125.00
Sellwood	15.05
Southeast	210.00
St. Johns	25.00
Multnomah	112.00
Redmond	309.58
Richland	
Rockaway	
Roseburg First	545.00
West Side	1050.89
St. Helens	134.07
Salem Court	506.14
First	1473.98
Garden Road	18.15
Liberty	40.00
Santa Clara	
Scio	
Scotts Mills	
Seaside	
Sheridan	
Silverton	97.15
Sisters	
Springfield	208.96
Stayton	
Sutherlin	
Sweet Home	
The Dalles	152.50
Thurston	
Tillamook	143.74
Toledo	
Trent	
Turner	
Vale	
Vaughn	
Vernonia	35.00
Walden	
Wallowa	
Walton	11.60
Warrenton	
Wasco	
Willamina	138.50
Wi-Ne-Ma	
Winston	
Woodburn	
Yamhill	25.00
Zion	

News and Picture Deadline

APRIL 21

NINETY AND NINE MEN'S BROTHERHOOD

—By Ed Dewees

With Mark Rutherford, national men's worker, scheduled to speak for the Northwest District Ninety and Nine rally on March 28 and at special men's rallies at the Silverton Christian Church on March 29 and the Eugene First Christian Church on March 30, the end of the month presaged a real challenge for evangelism and missions in the pre-Easter season. Not to be outdone, the South Willamette District expected a good turnout on March 28 for a rally at Scio with Earl Downing, minister of the Sweet Home Church of Christ, as guest speaker, and the Yamhill District booked Wayne Greene, minister of Salem First Christian, to speak at the Newberg rally. On March 21 the men of the Blue Mountain District met at the Athena church, which will also be host for the men of Eastern Oregon on the opening night of the Eastern Oregon Convention on May 3.

Looking ahead in Douglas County, the regular district rally will be held at the Westside Christian Church on April 25, and on that same date the North Willamette Ninety and Nine Men will meet at the Court Street Christian Church in Salem. It is also time to be thinking of the men's share in the Turner convention on July 2 and 3. Leo Quakenbush, president of the Yamhill District, is program chairman for the Ninety and Nine events and has plans well under way, as reported at the state executive board meeting at Albany on March 27.

In matters of evangelism and new churches, the North Willamette District sponsored a night of visitation for the Falls City Christian Church on March 17. Eastern Oregon men have been giving financial assistance toward the purchase of property for the John Day church, where Brother Hugh Foster is minister. Yamhill men have been giving assistance to the new work at Ocean Lake. The Sutherlin Christian Church has invited Ed Dewees to lead in a visitation campaign there beginning on Easter Sunday. As in other years, many men are working in the calling campaigns being carried on in their home churches.

Along with other harbingers of spring, camp preparations loom large, as selection of personnel, problems of logistics, and financing for supplies and advance rentals must all be considered. Folders bearing the **dates and places of the camps** as listed in this paper and other information as well as an application form are available to all churches or individuals desiring them. Write to Ed Dewees at P. O. Box 231, Coburg, Oregon, or to George Wright, 4224 Hager St., Salem for copies.

Bible school of the Newport Christian Church, March 20, with 166 in attendance. The average for the past several months has been over 160. Plans are under way for additional classroom space. The Bible school is conducted by a commitee composed of Morris Powell, Mrs. Wilburn Hall and Mrs. June Edwards. Ray C. Smith is pastor.

Steady improvement on the financial front of the state Ninety and Nine was indicated in a report prepared by Harry Vetter, financial secretary, on March 11. To that time, total receipts since Oct. 15, 1954, by districts, are as follows: Blue Mt. $78.85, Coast $25.00, Northwest $484.25, Yamhill $100.00, North Willamette $643.83, South Willamette $386.00, McKenzie $60.00, Myrtle $179.90, Crater Lake $90.00, and from convention offering at Bend $393.95—total $2,441.78. Total expenditures in that period have been $2,424.03, including $900.00 which was owed to N.C.C. and other college students helping in the 1954 summer camps. Bills owing as of March 11 were $49.00 to the Oregon Christian and $80.00 on field salary (or $120.00 on March 12). All offerings for the state work should be mailed to Olaf Q. Paulsen, Jr., P. O. Box 127, Silverton, Oregon.

Dates and places for the 1955 Christian camps are as follows:

21st Year — Christian Boys' Camps

Wyeth (Star Rte., Cascade Locks)	July 10-16 ★
Cove	July 17-23
Turner (21st Anniversary)	July 24-30
Crescent Lake	July 31 - Aug. 6
Wi-Ne-Ma (R. F. D. Cloverdale)	July 31 - Aug. 6
Fir Point (P. O. Glendale)	Aug. 7 - 13

7th Year — Christian Girls' Camps

Wyeth (Star Rte., Cascade Locks)	July 10-16 ★
Cove	July 10-16
Turner	July 17-23
Fir Point (P. O. Glendale)	Aug. 14-20

★ A simultaneous Boys' Camp and Girls' Camp for the Mid-Columbia District held at Wyeth Youth Camp Grounds.

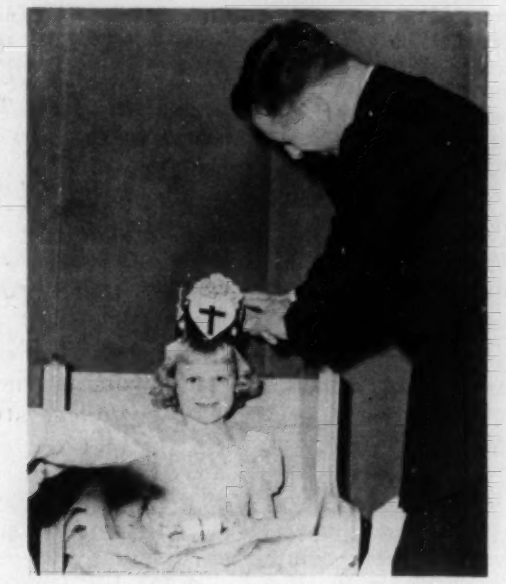
INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 24, 1955,—A series of 12 Area Assemblies will be held this fall throughout the United States, it has been announced here by Gaines M. Cook, executive secretary, International Convention. The assemblies will extend over three nights and two days and it is expected that more than 25,000 persons will be reached at the 12 meetings.

The assembly programs will deal with the brotherhood's position in the Long Range program begun in 1950. This year marks the mid-point in the 10 year projected advance.

Gaines M. Cook will head up the team personnel which will conduct the assemblies. The Northwest Area Assembly will be held at Spokane, Wash., Oct. 17-19.

The 12 area assemblies are being held this year instead of an annual International Convention Assembly of Disciples of Christ because of the World Convention of Churches of Christ which is scheduled to be held in Toronto, Canada, Aug. 16-21. The next International Convention Assembly of Disciples of Christ will be held in October, 1956, at Des Moines, Iowa.

NEWS OF THE CHRISTIAN HOUSES



"LITTLE SWEETHEART" OF ROSEBURG BIBLE SCHOOL

Karen Reierson, a member of the Beginner's Department of the Bible School of First Christian, Roseburg, is being crowned by Mr. Clifford Baxter, who is superintendent of the Bible School.

During the Sweetheart search the Bible School attendance reached a peak of 855. Since January 1, the Bible School has averaged 679 each week compared to 507 for 1954. Mrs. Newell Morgan, the minister's wife, was General Chairman of the Sweetheart Search.

TURNER MEMORIAL HOME ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

PURPOSE—Turner Memorial Home is undertaking to help the retiring ministers of the Churches of Christ, their wives or widows, and other needy and worthy members of the churches as accommodations are available, through that period of their lives when their resources are diminishing; and, if they have no resources, to supply the ordinary necessities of life.

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THINGS THE GUEST MEMBER MUST DO AND PROVIDE —

EMERGENCIES—It is important that each guest member provide against his emergencies such as hospitalization; doctor's care; nurse's care; medicine; convalescent home and final expenses. Therefore, the applicant is required, if possible, to establish an Emergency Fund which shall be held and administered by the Home for him as a guest member.

WILL—The guest member is asked to make a Will leaving his estate to Turner Memorial Home. In case of husband and wife, wills are to be made in which the survivor leaves the estate to the Home.

The above arrangements do not preclude from benefits any needy, worthy, aged minister and his wife, or widow, however reduced his financial status might be. On the other hand, if he has received the benefits of the Home, it is considered no more than fair that the resources of the guest member eventually should come to the Home after he no longer needs them.

Further details may be obtained by writing to the Home.

H. L. PORTER REPORTS FROM CORVALLIS CHRISTIAN HOUSE

During the spring vacation Mr. Porter spent some time visiting churches and friends of the Oregon Christian Student Foundation in Portland and as far east as The Dalles. These contacts are to gain understanding and support from churches around the state for Christian Houses in Eugene and Corvallis.

Mrs. Hattie Menzies spent a few days with the Porters at Corvallis last month. Accompanied by Mr. Porter, she called on OSC students from India and Pakistan.

Four students from Thailand were guests at Christian House during the spring vacation.

A room that has been only partially used in Christian House is being painted and prepared by the students to be used as a study room. Mr. Glenn Mumau has built a new book case for this room.

Several of the students are working on the Visitation Evangelism campaign of the church.

Among the speakers for April will be Walter Lantz, Director of Education for the Christian Churches of Oregon, and Col. Charles Rynearson, Professor of Military Science.

DULCINA ELLIOTT REPORTS FROM EUGENE CHRISTIAN HOUSE

On April 3, the new 1955-56 officers of the Eugene Christian House were installed: president - Jean Miller, St. Helens; vice-presidents — June Fulco, Grants Pass, and Gennie Eachus, Nyssa; recording secretary — Sally Byron, Roseburg; corresponding secretary — Nell Carlson, Olympia; treasurer — Lyle Spears, Chehalis; historian — Lavonne Cone, Vancouver; Duck Call editor —Dick Fishback, Burns; executive adviser — Bob Randall, Eugene.

The Eugene Christian House has been celebrating its sixth birthday. Birthday events included a Married Students' Potluck Dinner on Monday, March 28, when two members of the original group of students were present: Cassie Hyde Chaney (Mrs. Henry Chaney) and Mary Lotte Frear (Mrs. Richard Frear). Hosts were the Gerry Sawyers (Canby) and the Dean Propecks (Milton-Freewater). A new group met on Thursday, March 31, to explore the needs of older students. The committee in charge included Norma Terry (Portland), Bob Briggs (Waldport), and Bob Randall. The general Birthday Party was Saturday evening, April 2, with Carl Cobb (Forest Grove and Longview) in charge. Wilma Chance (Halsey) and Winona Fishback (Burns) were in charge of invitations to alumni and other former students.

Jean Clark (Hermiston, Oregon) is the newly elected president of the student body group at Corvallis Christian House.

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PORTLAND - KERN PARK: Nine added by baptism, 6 otherwise. School of Missions, which will end with an Indian banquet, has had over 200 attending every Sunday night. Youth attended the annual spring outing at Camp Arrah Wanna, March 18-19. Kenneth Johnston, minister.

MYRTLE CREEK: Bible School attendance average highest in years. Special offerings taken reecntly for N.C.C., Week of Compassion, and the Oregon Temperance League. C. E. and youth plan to give the Easter Day Church program. The Octogenarian Quartet is to sing Palm Sunday evening. Dorsey Dent, our minister, was elected vice-president of the local Rotary Club, is chairman of Salvation Army for Myrtle Creek, and is supervisor of the Ground Observation Corps.

OAKRIDGE: A Father and Son banquet, with Professor Ward Rice as guest speaker, was held March 16. Sunday School attendance is at an all-time high, with an average of 165 so far this year. We are in a Visitation Evangelism program with Decision Day on Palm Sunday. E. C. Hawkins, our minister, will conduct a week of preaching following Palm Sunday on Great Doctrinal themes of the church.

FOREST GROVE: Men's Fellowship met March 22 for dinner, followed by a work night in the church. The C.Y.F. is sponsoring a basket social, March 26, for the entire church. E. Boosinger, pastor.

LEBANON: Six added by baptism, 6 otherwise. Looking forward to our pre-Easter period of evangelism and week of preaching. Our neighbors will do the preaching: Rex Jones of Molalla, Ray Smith of Newport, J. M. Alley of Amity, LaVern Gomez of Jefferson, I. M. Nelson of Silverton. L. O. White, pastor.

ASTORIA: Ed Eldridge is heading calling campaign in which the congregation is working hard to gain many new members by April 10. New heating system has been installed in basement. Hobby and talent show on March 11 included a style show put on by the men. Albert Kribs, minister. **HEPPNER:** Union services are being conducted nightly. The Methodist, Episcopal, and Assembly of God are participating. Prof. Ward Rice is preaching and Richard Osborn of N.C.C. is soloist and director of music. E. L. Soward, minister.

CORVALLIS: Reached our goal of $1000 for Week of Compassion offering. Congregation voted to adopt CLOSE THE SWITCH program. Gene Chamberlain, of Southeast Church in Portland, was guest leader for visitation evangelism preceding Palm Sunday. Donald L. Helseth, minister.

BEND: Five added by baptism, 1 otherwise. Sunday School attendance is averaging 20 above same period last year. Will hold a Home Force, pre-Easter meeting, March 27 - April 3. H. Cecil Bever will preach. Extensive improvements made in church kitchen. **LORANE:** Evangelistic meetings held March 28 - April 10. Evangelist is Hervy Abercrombie and the Gospel Team from Central Washington School of the Bible, Selah, Washington. Martin Lee, Jr., minister.

DETROIT. The purchase of an additional lot and the securing of a deed to the present property was completed this month. Sunrise services are being planned in union with the Gates Christian Church and the Idanha Community Church. Don Summers, minister, will be holding N.C.C. Day services April 24 in Enterprise, Oregon.

GLADSTONE: Four added by baptism, 7 otherwise. Remodeling program under way on building. Charles Betts, of the Board of Church Extension, provided basic plan for the project. Approximate cost will be $20,000. First unit of work completed now includes new concrete steps and railings. New office complete for pastor. Church planning for pre-Easter week meeting with Traveling Four negro group providing special interest in music. Message by D. Kullowatz: Come, Let us go Back to God.

PORTLAND - SOUTHEAST: We completed one week of preaching services led by Don Kelley of Corbett, March 13-20. Gene Chamberlain, pastor. **ROSEBURG - WESTSIDE:** Plans include a week of instruction preaching beginning Easter Sunday and closing the following Sunday with speakers Walter Naff, Ward Rice, Newell Morgan, Dr. E. R. Moon, and pastor, Harry Chapin.

PENDLETON: On March 17, the congregation burned its mortgage on the new parsonage. In the amount of $10,000, it was to have been paid off in 10 years. The full amount was paid in five years, over $5000 coming in in the last 12 months. Rodney Rogers is new board chairman. Donald Payne, minister. **HALFWAY:** Plans for Easter being made. Morning worship services running in attendance from 70-90. Sunday night, April 17, the film, "I Beheld His Glory" will be chosen. E. F. Coulter, minister.

NORTH BEND: C. W. F. conducted evening meeting, March 6, with missionary theme. Men conducted evening service, March 27, with theme, "What the Church Means to Me." A speaker system has been installed in "Bawl Room" and is being installed in basement nursery. Jacks are being provided in one pew for head sets for hard of hearing. Pastor and wife called to Yakima, Washington, by the serious illness of Mrs. Blakley's mother, now improving. Elder C. C. Farr filled pulpit in their absence. Mrs. Charles Dennis, publicity chairman.

BAKER: Making plans to begin an expansion program of building, with a committee appointed to start investigation. Building fund money is beginning to come in,

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MEET OUR GUESTS

Brother Henry B. Miller came to make his home in the Central Building on June 27, 1950. He was not a stranger to the Home, for he had served as dairyman for a few months in 1949. He is still interested in "farming", being custodian of the hens who supply the eggs for the Central building kitchen, and active in gardening. Brother Miller was an elder in the Amity Church of Christ, and his son, Hollister, was the minister of the First Christian Church in Bakersfield, California until his sudden death on March 21, 1955. The guest members, staff, and trustees of the Home join Brother Miller's many friends in extending Christian sympathy in this time of bereavement.

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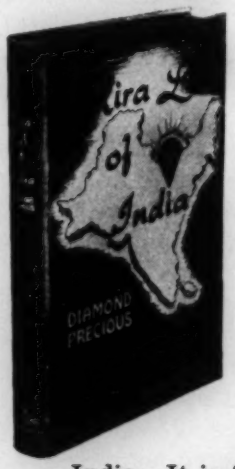

Hira Lal of India

By Leta May Brown. This new book holds all the warmth, hope, despair, grief, strife, peace and joy of life itself. This is the story of a native Indian medical doctor, the life of one of the first converts to the Christian faith in the Disciples of Christ mission at Mungeli, India. It is full of fascinating incidents surrounding Dr. Hira Lal's birth to his fulfillment in God's service as a doctor of the soul as well as the body. As background for the central portrait of Hira Lal, or **Diamond Precious**, the author has indirectly sketched the development of a typical mission station. **$3.00**

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now that action is under way. Conducted a Bible School Youth contest presenting a scholarship to the boy and to the girl who were the winners. Conducted a teacher training program with Anna Rose Morgan as the leader, Jan. 24-28, with 30 enrolled. Looking forward to the ordination service of Wallace Prowel, young man from this congregation who is a senior at Northwest Christian College. Four added by baptism, one otherwise. Joe Jewett, pastor.

MILL CITY: This church will cooperate in the annual Union Services held each night of the week preceding Easter, with the minister in charge of the Monday night service. Week of Compassion offering in February more than doubled that of a year ago. Mrs. Grace Cooke, Mrs. Bertha Shelton, Mrs. Beulah Fish, Mrs. Elsie Myers and Mrs. Susie Haynes, attended the special C.W.F. guest day program at Silverton, March 15. Mrs. H. E. Jull was released from the Stayton hospital, February 21, 15 weeks after being admitted following a car accident near Salem, Nov. 8, 1954. H. E. Jull, minister.

BURNS: N. C. C. Male Quartet was with us on March 13. Dr. Ross Griffeth and Ed Eldridge spoke at the Bible School and morning church service. We just finished a seven-week study of Christian Stewardship, using Orval D. Peterson's book, "Stewardship in the Bible." The Junior High School boys have furnished seven special vocal solos and duets for the Sunday evening services. L. B. Fishback, minister.

COQUILLE: Eight added by baptism. Met with Wm. Pearcy, Board of Church Extension and prepared financial plan to make it possible to dedicate our new building sometime prior to September 1. Church School attendance averaged 315 during March. Pre-Easter meeting with pastor preaching is planned. Annual School of Missions wil be held April 10 - May 1 for four Sundays, beginning with guest speaker, Goldie Ruth Wells. Walter Naff, minister.

SPRINGFIELD - MT. VERNON: Kenneth Smith resigned as our pastor in order to go to graduate school. Our new pastor, Douglas Priest, is a student at N. C. C. and son of Pastor Don Priest of Canby. A fellowship dinner and program was held March 20 to welcome the Priest family. The ladies of the church have met twice recently to work on quilts. Several of our group travelled to Trent the first of the month to join with them in a singspiration. Mrs. W. M. Sawyer, reporter.

MULTNOMAH: "Building Bible Homes for Christ" campaign was begun on January 30 and continues every Sunday evening until April 3. A group of young people is planning to attend the C. E. Convention in Roseburg, April 28 - May 1. Zeta Girard, reporter. Leland Earls, minister.

ALBANY: Our Church School has been participating in a "Sunshine Contest" for attendance. On March 27 the Octogenarian Quartet of Eugene sang with our Men's Fellowship in charge of the evening service and coffee hour. Lester Jones, pastor.

DALLAS: School of Missions held during February and the first week of March. Week of Compassion was observed with a special program and a $150 offering. Official Board accepted the CLOSE THE SWITCH program. Orville Mick, minister.

COBURG: Three added by baptism. Average Bible School attendance so far this year is 184. Walter Lantz was guest speaker, March 20. Young People are having a Missionary Banquet on March 29, with Dr. E. R. Moon as the guest speaker. Educational building completed by laying the rest of the tile in March. Joe Wagnon, minister.

JEFFERSON: Have called LaVern Gomez as the new minister, beginning April 15. Are making plans for a pre-Easter Evangelistic Rally from April 3-10, with Stanley Lyman and others from N.C.C. in charge. Mrs. Virgil Bailes, reporter.

EUGENE -UNIVERSITY: Ten-week loyalty campaign began March 6 with a goal of 398 in Bible School by May 8. Leo and Gail began third year of ministry March 1. Pre-Easter services were held April 3-8 with Edith Parrish in charge of music, and Frankie Zimmerman, pianist. Young People had a retreat at Wi-Ne-Ma, April 15-16. Leo Woodruff, minister.

SALEM - COURT STREET: Two added by baptism, 10 otherwise. Willie White will begin a meeting April 3. Old sanctuary has been remodeled and redecorated to provide three additional classrooms. W. Harold Lyman, minister. **PORTLAND - SELLWOOD:** Conducting a short visitation evangelism campaign ending in a four-day preaching series, climaxing April 10. We are planning a Christian Life School from April 17 - June 19, entitled "Partnership with Christ." This series of special programs will replace the usual Sunday evening fellowship and worship hours. Robert Clevinger, pastor.

GLENDALE: Weekly women's prayer circle started. Evangelistic meeting scheduled with Brother and Sister G. E. Williams. A two weeks D.V.B.S. will be conducted under the leadership of Mrs. Williams following the meeting. One added by baptism, 2 otherwise. Guy Armstrong, pastor.

HILLSBORO: Young people went to Camp Adams for an overnight planning retreat. Pre-Easter evangelistic visitation is under way with Decision Sunday, April 3. Ivan Correll, minister.

REDMOND: We are giving an Easter Cantata with the Powell Butte choir. "The Cross Triumphant" will be presented both places during Easter. The Wednesday evening Bible study group is studying the book of Revelations. Ladies' Council sent 13 pounds of baby quilts made by the group and clothes to Woodruff at Nago, Okinawa. R. T. Merriman, minister.

SILVERTON: Kenneth Johnston is to lead us in our Stewardship Emphasis program to be held April 17 - May 15. Mark Rutherford will speak at a meeting of the men of this district, March 29. I. M. Nelson, minister. **FLORENCE:** Had fine evangelistic meeting with Frank Cunningham, with Lloyd Hosman as song leader. Twenty-three were added: 16 by baptism and 7 by statement. Plans were made to erect additional Sunday School rooms, beginning next month. C. W. Osborne, minister.

PORTLAND - MALLORY AVENUE: Three added by baptism, 7 otherwise. Wonderful response in Week of Compassion offering of $1865.44, with a goal of $900. Marion Nilsson, minister. **BEAVERTON:** Were host to District 90 & 9 in January. Bible School attendance recently reached 200 without contest or special emphasis. Thomas Courtney, minister.

AMITY: Three added by baptism, one otherwise. Mr. and Mrs. B. Ross Evans held a good meeting. The Jubilee Bell Ringers, members of this congregation, held their second concert here. The high school auditorium had to be used to seat the crowd. The church has had the best year financially in its history. Membership gave over sixty dollars per capita for all causes last year. Plans are to support the state work more than in the past. Edna V. Dabb, reporter. J. M. Alley, minister.

MADRAS: First-quarter attendance 43 per cent above a year ago. Have set a goal of 260 for Bible School at Easter. Royal Gardner, minister. **FRANKLIN:** Visitation calling campaign being held prior to Easter. Efforts being made for fellowship and services together with the Interdenominational Church next door. Easter sunrise service and breakfast being planned. Were host to the Valley Area Singspiration with record attendance last month. Young people sponsored a family banquet with Professor John Boosinger, N.C.C., as speaker. Gerald F. Sawyer, minister.

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McMINNVILLE: Junior Church started here under direction of the Educational Department. Young People plan to attend State C. E. Convention at Roseburg, April 28 - May 1. Pre-Easter Evangelistic services under the leadership of Alger Fitch, March 27 - April 8. Elery Parrish, pastor. **SWEET HOME:** Eight added by baptism, 3 otherwise. Entertained Evangelistic Preaching Rally, March 7, with over 300 in attendance. Messages were brought by Leo Woodruff, G. Fred Hoy, B. Ross Evans, James M. Alley, and Ward A. Rice. Earl F. Downing, minister.

ONTARIO: Eight added by baptism, 3 otherwise. Kitchen remodeling completed. Holding classes in the new rooms of our building addition. Have begun consolidated meeting night, with all essential meetings on Wednesday night beginning with supper at 6:45 P.M. and closing with Bible study at 10. Howard Larsen, minister.

ST. HELENS: Having pre-Easter evangelistic campaign. Home Visitation week closed March 20. We had four nights of prospect and cultivation calling. We are now in a Week of Preaching with an N.C.C. student-team: Bud Grogan, evangelist; Eugene Cecil, song leader and soloist; Fred Brandenfels, local member in N.C.C., assistant minister and personal worker. Fred preached Sunday, March 27. R. L. Putnam, minister.

PERRYDALE: Ordination service for the minister, Ralph Perry, will be held at church, April 3. The church is growing with an average attendance above 60 per Sunday. Five added by baptism.

YAMHILL: As a result of a meeting, March 6-20, with J. Frank Cunningham, 6 were added by baptism, and 6 otherwise. Recently organized an all-church Men's Fellowship. Robert S. Kuykendall, minister.

MONMOUTH: Five added by baptism. New floor covering for portions of the building was laid by men of the church recently. L. H. Elwell, minister. **VAUGHN:** Still remodeling. Have kitchen and dining room paneling on. Have ordered Fir-Tex for all ceilings and sheetrock for upper half of dining room walls. We have ordered our new pews to be made from lumber given by an anonymous friend. We will set the pews up and varnish them ourselves. Young people went to Singspiration at Franklin, February 27. Walton won the banner. Herman Johnson, minister.

POWELL BUTTE: Held School of Missions with Goldie Ruth Wells, retired missionary to the Belgan Congo, March 6-13. Besides bringing outstanding messages every night during the week and Sunday, she spoke in five different schools. Church gave her $100 love offering. Church is combining with Redmond Christian Church for an Easter cantata, directed by Richard T. Merriman. Mrs. W. R. Naff, reporter. D. L. Penhollow, minister.

MILTON-FREEWATER: Eighty-two decisions during recent Comprehensive Visitation Evangelism campaign. March 20-27, a School of Christian Living was held, with preaching by Professor William Siefke, of N.C.C., and special music by the N.C.C. Girls' Trio, accompanied by Mr. Eckfeldt. Forty men attended an Area Men's meeting at Central Christian in Walla Walla, March 1. Dr. Titus Frazee was guest speaker. The congregation recently voted to purchase a more modern parsonage which will be ready for occupancy after June 15. C. W. F. is planning a Biblical luncheon for the entire church on Good Friday. An Easter Cantata is being planned. Goal for Bible School for Easter is at least 600. Irene Warner, reporter. Truman Robbins, pastor.

PORTLAND - CENTRAL: We have had the following guest speakers recently: Dr. C. H. Phillips, President of Puget Sound College of the Bible; Conley Silsby, Professor at P. S. C. B.; Jerry Watkinson, missionary candidate to Western Mexico Christian Mission; Frank and Marie Rempel, our Living-Link missionaries to Kulpahar, India. Easter Sunday, Russell E. Boatman, President of the Minnesota Bible College, will be guest speaker.

WALLOWA: Our average Sunday School attendance for the month of February was 181, highest in more than twelve years. Funeral services for Mary Weaver, resident of Wallowa County for 73 years was held March 19. Mrs. Spencer Trump, Clerk. O. W. Jones, pastor.

HOOD RIVER - VALLEY: Three added by baptism, 2 otherwise. Just completed a one-week pre-Easter rally with Mr. and Mrs. B. Ross Evans. Excellent attendance. Dowell A. Callis, minister. **HALSEY:** Omar Falk, Bible School Superintendent, is leading the Bible School into the final weeks of an effort to make a 10 per cent gain in attendance this year. We hope to reach that goal by Easter and hold the gain until Rally day, Oct. 2. W. H. Sechler.

HERMISTON: Christian Men's Fellowship has started a program of evangelism. C. W. F., in the study of India, has shown several films of the work in India. Forty-one young people recently visited the White Swan Indian Mission. The filmstrips shown for Teachers' Training were: A Twig is Bent, How Persons Learn, No Two Alike and The Teacher Prepares. Mrs. Bernard Kendall, reporter. Robert Richter, minister.

GRANTS PASS: J. Whitcomb Brougher was guest speaker on Sunday morning, March 13. Presented the CLOSE THE SWITCH program, March 27. **EUGENE - FIRST:** Family World Friendship Flights that covered India, Pakistan, and Ceylon closed with a festival or "Mela" and a program featuring India. Consul General and Mrs. Hussian, of Pakistan, and Mrs. Hattie Menzies, retired missionary to India, were guests at a C.W.F. program and tea. Cultivation calling on prospects have been made through March under the direction of Fred Henry. Mrs. Oakley Rhay, our minister of Christian Education, was local Director. C. M. F. was host to the McKenzie District 99 Men at a dinner meeting with Mark Rutherford, Association Secretary for C.M.F., bringing the message. Mrs. Ellen Stokes, reporter. Carroll Roberts, minister.

WILLAMINA: Bible School workers and teachers met with Walter Lantz. Salmon Dinner netted $60.00 for Yakima Indian Christian Mission. Pre-Easter evangelistic rally held, with Pastor Elmo Black preaching and Jack Naff, soloist and song leader. **OREGON CITY:** Signed contract and have permit for new building. Expect to tear down the old building on April 11. Fine spirit over building program. Attendance is the largest in 28 years of this congregation. Splendid group of senior high students. Howard Hutchins, pastor.

PORTLAND - FIRST: Expansion fund is growing: now at a total of $118,000 in cash and pledges. Plan to break ground for new building in June. Plans Committee is busy at work completing working drawings and specifications. A committee of the Board of Elders is charged with the task of choosing a Director of Religious Education. Meetings of Board are always 100 per cent attended on Sunday mornings at 7:15. It is a time when busy people can attend a meeting and do constructive work. Myron C. Cole, pastor, participated in Religious Emphasis Week at University of Idaho in February. He will attend the Advisory Committee of the new department of Public Relations of International Convention in April.

TILLAMOOK: Congregational meeting called for March 27 to adopt the largest missionary budget in the history of the Church. This will include $5000 to match another gift of $5000, given by Mr. Kennedy, who does not belong to this church, to build a hospital in the Belgian Congo for Dr. John E. Ross at Lotumbe. This is a result of Dr. Dye's visit with us for a week in January. Aldis Webb, minister.

WI-NE-MA: Four added by baptism, 3 otherwise. Just closed a meeting with Gene Polf, N.C.C., preaching, and Vivian Triplett, N. C. C., providing music. William Morse, pastor. **GOSHEN:** One added by baptism, 1 otherwise. Attendance has averaged 50 since the first of the year. Lowell Hall, minister.

NEWPORT: B. Ross Evans and wife scheduled to start meetings April 17. Dr. T. M. White is conducting a study on the Tabernacle at the midweek meetings. Ray C. Smith, pastor.

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